

## BOARD OF SELECTMEN TOWN OF TEWKSBURY

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## MEETING MINUTES JUNE 28, 2014

Chairperson Todd Johnson called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. Present for the Board of Selectmen meeting were Bruce Panilaitis, Clerk and Board Members, David Gay and James Wentworth. Scott Wilson, Vice Chair arrived at 10:45 a.m. . Richard Montuori, Town Manager and Attorney Charles Zaroulis were not present.

- 1. The Board conducted an interview of Christina Nawn who applied for a position on the Community Preservation Committee for the opening filled by the Board of Selectmen.
- 2. The Board conducted an interview of Edward Starr who applied for various committees with focus established on Local Housing Partnership and possibly Council on Aging
  - 3. The Board conducted an interview of Donna Pelczar relative to potential reappointment to CPC as selectmen designee

Interviews ended at 10:40 a.m.; Selectmen Wilson joined meeting at 10:45 a.m.

The Board discussed post-interview appointments:

Motion by Mr. Gay second Mr. Wilson unanimously voted to appoint Christina Nawn as Board of Selectmen designee to Community Preservation Committee.

Consensus request made to notify Donna Pelzar of the Board's decision to go another way and to thank her for her gracious service on the CPC, but desire was to involve new people in the process.

Motion by Mr. Wentworth second Mr. Wilson unanimously voted to appoint Edward Starr to the Local Housing Partnership.

The Chairman informed the members that Mr. William Wyatt had applied for reappointment to the Historic Commission and there were no other applicants.

Motion by Mr. Wilson seconded by Mr. Gay unanimously voted to appoint William Wyatt to the Historic Commission.

4. The Chairman asked for discussion relative to joining the Municipal Coalition in Opposition to the Tennessee Gas Pipeline expansion following the public meeting held earlier in the week. Consensus developed on the desire to join the coalition in order to stay as informed as possible. While the members expressed comments that local authority was limited, our role should be to keep current on information, be certain residents had access to information that impacts Tewksbury, and to best protect the town if the pipeline becomes a reality.

Motion by Mr. Wilson, second Mr. Wentworth unanimously voted to formally join the coalition and to designate Selectmen Wilson along with the Town Manager or his designee as our proxies for the scheduled July 1, 2014 Coalition meeting.

Motion by Mr. Panilaitis second Mr. Wilson unanimously voted to request Town Counsel research and possibly issue a cease and desist order to Kinder-Morgan relative to approaching and communicating directly with residents.

The Board's expressed desire is that all further communication be directed to the Town and that Kinder-Morgan follow through on the stated commitment to request future group meetings if there is information to provide or a status change. The Selectmen prefer that all communication be disseminated via a town sponsored meeting where all impacted can hear the same message at the same time.

The Board requested the Town Manager draft a press release relative to the Board's actions on the pipeline to make it known as soon as feasible what the Board's position is following the resident meeting. This subject will be revisited for public consumption at the next regular televised selectmen meeting of July 15<sup>th</sup> so that there is another opportunity to detail the Board's actions on this item in a public way. The Board wanted to get their position out to the public as soon as possible following this Saturday meeting.

Motion by Mr. Wentworth second Mr. Panilaitis unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 11:25 a.m.

## Approved by the Board of Selectmen on July 15, 2014

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